

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 709  
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Hillary Anne Rutledge,  
2006 Salutatorian of Huntland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Hillary Anne Rutledge is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Huntland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Hillary Rutledge has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Rutledge has earned an exemplary 3.89 grade point average while participating in many scholastic ventures, including serving as a valued member of the basketball and softball teams, Beta Club, the National Honor Society, Drama Club, Interact Club, and the school chorus; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Hillary was named the basketball team's Most Valuable Player, garnered second grand prize in the Laws Of Life Essay Contest, was chosen as Most Studious by her peers, and was included in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, she is a devout member of Walnut Grove Methodist Church and donated her time and energies to many services within her community, including delivering fruit baskets to the elderly, caroling at local nursing homes, teaching during Vacation Bible School, and participating in Operation Noel; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rutledge's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Hillary Rutledge's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Leland Rutledge and Tammy Mason, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Hillary Rutledge's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Huntland High School Salutatorian, Hillary Anne Rutledge, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.